



**UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA BOARD OF TRUSTEES
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATIONAL POLICY AND STRATEGY
COMMITTEE MINUTES**

June 5, 2014

President's Room 215B, Emerson Alumni Hall

University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida

Time Convened: 3:58 p.m., EDT

Time Adjourned: 4:59 p.m., EDT

1.0 Call to Order and Welcome

Committee Chair, Steven M. Scott called the meeting to order at 3:58 p.m., EDT. Committee Chair Scott welcomed the Committee members and all in attendance. He particularly welcomed Cory Yeffet, the new Student Body President Trustee and Pradeep Kumar, the new Faculty Senate Chair Trustee, who were attending their first meeting.

Members present were:

Steven M. Scott, Chair, Susan M. Cameron, Christopher T. Corr, Charles B. Edwards, James W. Heavener, Pradeep Kumar, Carolyn K. Roberts, Jason J. Rosenberg, Juliet M. Roulhac, David M. Thomas, Cory M. Yeffet

Others present were:

President J. Bernard Machen, Provost and Senior Vice President Joseph Glover, Vice President for Student Affairs David Kratzer, Vice President for Enrollment Management Zina Evans, Vice President and General Counsel Jamie Lewis Keith, Vice President for Research David Norton, Vice President and Chief Information Officer Elias Eldayrie, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Matthew Fajack, Vice President for Business Affairs Curtis Reynolds, Special Assistant to the President Jamal Sowell, other members of the Cabinet, Executive Assistant Cheryl May, Executive Assistant Rebecca Holt, members of the University of Florida Community, and other members of the public and the media.

2.0 Verification of Quorum

After a roll call, a quorum was confirmed, with all members present except for Trustee Brown.

3.0 Review and Approval of Minutes

Committee Chair Scott asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the March 18, 2014 and March 27, 2014 committee meetings, which was made by Trustee Edwards and Seconded by Trustee Roulhac. Chair Scott asked for further discussion, after which he asked for all in favor of the motion and any opposed and the motion was approved unanimously.

4.0 Public Comment

There were no requests for public comment.

The Committee considered the following Action Items:

5.0 Action Items

EP1. Tenure Upon Hire

Chair Scott noted that in the pre-meeting teleconference, Provost Glover summarized the success UF is having through the great efforts of the Deans to recruit faculty who are already among the top in their fields, or who are rising top talent, as part of the University's preeminence initiative. The Committee is getting a high volume of tenure upon hire cases as a result. Provost Glover presented all of the tenure upon hire cases at the Committee's call.

Dr. Glover stated that there were 18 tenure upon hire cases for the Committee to act upon and that there had been 37 confirmed faculty hires in the preeminence initiative to-date. He explained that for those individuals hired with faculty and administrative appointments, tenure attaches only to the faculty appointment.

Chair Scott asked for a motion to approve Action Item EP1—Tenure Upon Hire—which was made by Trustee Edwards and Seconded by Trustee Cameron for recommendation to the Board for its approval on the Consent Agenda. The Chair asked for further discussion to which there was none and then then asked for all in favor of the motion and any opposed and the motion was approved unanimously.

EP2. Baby Gator Child Development and Research Center Fees FY 2014-2015

Chair Scott noted that Vice President for Human Resources Paula Fussell reviewed the proposed fees for the Baby Gator Child Development and Research Center on the call and asked if the Committee had any questions or wanted any further discussion.

Chair Scott asked for a motion to approve EP2—Baby Gator Child Development and Research Center Fees 2014-2015—which was made by Trustee Roulhac and Seconded by Trustee Rosenberg for recommendation to the Board for its approval on the Consent Agenda. The Chair asked for further discussion to which there was none and then then asked for all in favor of the motion and any opposed and the motion was approved unanimously.

EP3. Facility Security Clearance; Exclusion of Certain Directors and Officers; Designation of Senior Management Group for Classified Information

Chair Scott asked if any Committee member had questions or wanted a summary of the Security Clearance and Committee Action Item that was addressed on the call by Vice President for Research David Norton and General Counsel Jamie Keith.

Chair Scott asked for a motion to approve EP3—Facility Security Clearance; Exclusion of Certain Directors and Officers; Designation of Senior Management Group for Classified Information—which was made by Trustee Thomas and Seconded by Trustee Roberts for recommendation to the Board for its approval on the Consent Agenda. The Chair asked for further discussion to which there was none and then then asked for all in favor of the motion and any opposed and the motion was approved unanimously.

EP4. New Degree: Ph.D. in Computer and Information Science and Engineering

Chair Scott asked if any Committee member had questions for Provost Glover on the New Degree in the College of Engineering---Ph.D. in Computer and Information Science and Engineering. This was addressed on the call.

Chair Scott asked for a motion to approve EP4—New Degree: Ph.D. in Computer and Information Science and Engineering—which was made by Trustee Cameron and Seconded by Trustee Heavener for recommendation to the Board for its approval on the Consent Agenda. The Chair asked for further discussion to which there was none and then then asked for all in favor of the motion and any opposed and the motion was approved unanimously.

EP5. University of Florida Regulations

Chair Scott asked the Committee if they wanted Vice President and General Counsel Jamie Lewis Keith to review the UF Regulation Amendments that were presented on the call.

General Counsel Keith provided a brief summary of the University of Florida Regulation changes for the following:

- (1) 3.0372 Student Health, Athletic, and Activity and Service and Transportation Access Fees ---The amounts of these fees have already been approved by the Board at its December 2013 meeting and the already-approved fees are simply being codified in regulations, as is done annually.
- (2) 3.0375 Tuition Costs --- There is no increase in tuition.
- (3) 7.019 Tenure and Promotion: Definition, Eligibility, Granting of Tenure, Criteria, Procedures and Methods of Processing, Confidential Nature of Materials and Discussions, Reports and Appeals, Permanent Status and Sustained Performance Evaluations --- The Academic Personnel Board is advisory to the President in

review of tenure and promotion cases. The amendment increases to 10 (from 6) the members of the APB and permits the President to divide the APB into more than 1 panel to expeditiously address different types of cases.

Chair Scott asked for a motion to approve EP5—University of Florida Regulation Amendments—which was made by Trustee Rosenberg and Seconded by Trustee Roulhac for recommendation to the Board for its approval on the Consent Agenda. The Chair asked for further discussion to which there was none and then then asked for all in favor of the motion and any opposed and the motion was approved unanimously.

EP6. University of Florida Work Plan 2014-2015

Chair Scott asked if any Committee members had questions for Provost Glover about the annual Work Plan, which Provost Glover presented at the call.

Chair Scott asked for a motion to approve EP6—University of Florida Work Plan 2014-2015—which was made by Trustee Cameron and Seconded by Trustee Roberts for recommendation to the Board for its approval on the Consent Agenda. The Chair asked for further discussion to which there was none and then then asked for all in favor of the motion and any opposed and the motion was approved unanimously.

EP7. Degree Program Terminations

Chair Scott asked the Committee if any member wanted Provost Glover to summarize the program terminations that were already discussed on the pre-meeting call—or had any questions.

Chair Scott asked for a motion to approve EP7—Degree Program Terminations—which was made by Trustee Thomas and Seconded by Trustee Edwards for recommendation to the Board for its approval on the Consent Agenda. The Chair asked for further discussion to which there was none and then then asked for all in favor of the motion and any opposed and the motion was approved unanimously.

EP8. Annual Tenure Awards

Chair Scott asked if any Trustees had questions for Provost Glover on the Annual Tenure Awards, which were addressed on the call.

Provost Glover stated that the list of candidates on for tenure awards has gone through the complete review process and each candidate has been nominated for tenure by the President.

Chair Scott asked for a motion to approve EP8—Annual Tenure Awards—which was made by Trustee Edwards and Seconded by Trustee Cameron for recommendation to the Board for its approval on the Consent Agenda. The Chair asked for further discussion to which there was

none and then then asked for all in favor of the motion and any opposed and the motion was approved unanimously.

6.0 Discussion/Informational Items

Chair Scott turned the Committee's attention to the information items.

Chair Scott noted that at the end of the information items, Vice President and Chief Information Officer Elias Eldayrie would give a report on IT enabling Teaching and Learning. Rather than being assigned to a single Committee, Elias will address IT matters at Finance and Facilities when facilities are the focus, at Educational Policy when education and research are the focus, and at Governance when enterprise strategy, controls and security are the focus.

Chair Scott then asks each presenter to address a topic in turn:

- 6.1 **Admissions Update** - Vice President for Enrollment Management Zina Evans provided an Admissions/Financial Update.
- 6.2 **Faculty Senate Update** - Faculty Senate Chair Pradeep Kumar provided a Faculty Senate Update.
- 6.3 **Student Government Update** - Student Body President Cory Yeffet provided a Student Government Update.
- 6.4 **Center/Institute Name Changes** – The College of Medicine has requested that the “University of Florida Shands Cancer Center (UF&Shands Cancer Center)” be changed to “UF Health Cancer Center.” Provost Glover noted the name changes listed on the Committee agenda and asked if any Trustee had questions. All have been approved by the Faculty Senate. They do not require Board action but are presented for information.
- 6.5 **College Name Change** – The “College of Fine Arts” has requested to change the college name to “The College of the Arts.” Provost Glover noted the name changes listed on the Committee agenda and asked if any Trustee had questions. All have been approved by the Faculty Senate. They do not require Board action but are presented for information.
- 6.6 **SACS/COC Report** - Provost Glover stated that due to a great effort by faculty and staff, the preliminary letter from SACS/COC indicated that UF passed with flying colors – no citations. Official notification will be given following the SACS/COC Board Meeting in December.
- 6.7 **IT Update—Enabling Teaching and Learning** – Vice President and CIO Elias Eldayrie shared a PowerPoint presentation on “Enabling Teaching and Learning.”
- 6.8 **UF Online Update** – Provost Joe Glover stated that there’s lots of activity going on in recruiting new students, developing new courses and programs, and the Executive Director search is underway.

7.0 New Business

Chair Scott asked if there was any new business for the Committee and there was none.

8.0 Adjourn

After asking for any further discussion and hearing none, Chair Scott asked for a motion to adjourn, which was made by Trustee Cameron and, with no further discussion desired, the motion was passed unanimously and the University of Florida Committee on Education Policy and Strategy meeting was adjourned at 4:59 p.m., EDT.